

1 THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Hanson.

2 DELEGATE HANSON: Chairman Moser, reading section  
3 7.08 and the unnumbered section together, am I correct in  
4 assuming that notwithstanding the fact that section 7.08  
5 expressly gives the General Assembly the power to provide by  
6 law for a multi-county governmental unit, that  
7 the unnumbered section under Article VIII would vest this  
8 power concurrently with the counties insofar as they  
9 have the power to perform any particular function?

10 In other words, if we had two counties that wanted  
11 to provide a joint fire protection service, section 7.08  
12 read in conjunction with the unnumbered section means that  
13 while the General Assembly could provide a special purpose di-  
14 rective for that function, it is also possible under the  
15 unnumbered section for the two counties jointly to provide  
16 that, and in that case section 7.08 would not contravene  
17 that power?

18 THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Moser.

19 DELEGATE MOSER: Section 7.08 by itself would  
20 not contravene that power, but the provision for Article VIII  
21 reads: "A governmental unit except as limited by any law